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## CONSPIRACIES!

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IN THE APRIL NUMBER OF THE CENTURY.  
NEW LIGHT ON THE SENSATIONAL  
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
LINCOLN.

The Scientific Editor of the Call Furnishes the Magazine Its Most Prominent Article—for the Coming Month—Something About the Young Man—Previous Magazine Work—The Call Proud of His Literary Achievements.

IN the windows of many of the city book stalls for the past few days, there have been hanging some brilliant display posters, one of them containing a reproduction of the advertisement of reward



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offered by the War Department at the time Booth fired the leaden ball into the brain of America's greatest president. This reward poster reads as follows:

"WAR DEPARTMENT,

WASHINGTON, APRIL 20, 1865.

\$100,000 REWARD!—The murderer of our late beloved president is still at large. \$50,000 reward will be paid by this department for his apprehension, in addition to any reward offered by municipal authorities of state executives. \$25,000 reward will be paid for the apprehension of John

H. Surratt, one of Booth's accomplices. \$25,000 will be paid for apprehension of Daniel C. Harrold, another of Booth's accomplices. Liberal rewards will be paid for any information that shall conduce to the arrest of either of the above named criminals or their accomplices. All persons harboring or secreting said persons, or either of them, or aiding or assisting, their escape, will be treated as accomplices in the murder of the President and the attempted assassination of the Secretary of State, and shall be subject to trial before a military commission and the punishment of death."

This is signed by Edwin M. Stanton, Secretary of War. The other poster contains a picture of the window pane at Meadville, Pa., on which J. Wilkes Booth, eight months before the murder, had scratched with a diamond the inscription, "Abe Lincoln departed this life Aug. 13th 1864, by the effects of poison."

These posters advertise the very able article of Mr. V. L. Mason, editor for the Scientific School on THE CALL, which appears in the April number of the Century. For some time the article has been in course of preparation, Mr. Mason carefully going over the archives of the War Department, and making several trips into Maryland to get accurate and late data for the work. His conclusions are somewhat in the nature of a sensation, and he believes that there has been a miscarriage of justice in the hanging of certain men as accomplices. His conclusions are entitled to considerable respect, for one of the leading magazines has deemed them conclusive enough to make the article the prominent one in the coming issue.

The work of Victor Louis Mason on the CALL has been of a high order. He possesses that most valuable characteristic in newspaper work "nose for news," and many of his contributions have been deemed worthy of reprint by the university press of the country, and the CALL takes pleasure

in thus paying him merited praise.

In February, '95 the Century published an interesting production by his pen entitled, "New Weapons of the United States Army," illustrated with eighteen plates. A brief biography of the young writer, reads as follows:

Victor Louis Mason was born in Washington, December 9, 1870. Educated in the public schools of this city, including the Washington High School. Entered the Corcoran Scientific School in the scholastic year of 1893-94, and was permitted to select his studies leading to a degree of B. S., provided he spent the required number of hour during his four years' course, as called for in the regulations of the University. He is therefore of the class of '97.

Is the confidential clerk and stenographer of the Board of Ordnance and Fortification, U. S. Army, an advisory Board to the Secretary of War created by special act of Congress, and has held this position for the past five years directly under the late Lieutenant-General Commanding the Army, General J. M. Schofield, and now under Major-General Nelson A. Miles, presidents of the board.

Has written, other than short newspaper articles of a technical character, a serial article for the leading Shorthand Journal of the World, Isaac Pitman (English) "Phonetic Journal," and for the Century Magazine an article which appeared in the February 1895 number, entitled "New Weapons of the Army," which latter was also first read before the Philosophical Society of Washington, under the auspices of the Cosmos Club before its publication in that magazine.

He is an enthusiastic member of the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity just established in Columbian University, (the only member in fact in this Fraternity from the Scientific School,) and bears the reputation among his fellows of being a hard working, keen young American, with a most promising career before him.—G. U.

## VIM AND VIGOR.

Were Big Elements in the Scientific School Meeting.

LIGHT ON THE DARK PLACES IN THE UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS.

More Illumination—Everybody Cheers President Whitman's Name—A Ringing Resolution Adopted—Pictures and Biographies of the Officers.

NEVER in the history of the Scientific School has such an important meeting been held by students of this young department of Columbian University as that which took place on Saturday night last under the auspices of the Columbian Corcoran Society. The meeting had been pretty generally advertised by posters



PRESIDENT WM. F. BIEHL.

throughout the University corridors, and through the columns of THE CALL and the representative students of the Scientific School were present almost without exception.

The meeting was called to order by President Biehl in a short but pointed speech. He said, in brief, that he did not believe the question of better illumination in the class rooms need any remarks from him—the light furnished by the University in some of the lecture rooms was worse than abomi-

nable, and that the students of the Scientific School not only suffered much inconvenience therefrom, but permanent injury was resulting to the eyesight of many. Mr. Biehl did not believe that the faculty could be fully aware of this condition, for if it were, in his opinion, the evil would have been corrected long ago. It was therefore, he stated, the duty of the Scientific students to invite the attention of the faculty to this condition, and to request an inspection of such rooms as the German class room, the French class room and the mineralogical laboratory. These rooms would "throw a little light on the subject."

His remarks were received with enthusiasm. Little discussion followed, as there was nothing to be said on the negative side.

A resolution, being a petition to the faculty, covering the points of President Beihl's speech, was then read to the students, and unanimously adopted.

The next question related to that of the joint commencement exercises of all departments of the University, and on this the discussion was very animated. It was proposed to submit this matter to the faculty, too. At the outset it was remarked that this was not a question which concerned the Corcoran Scientific School or any other one department of the University—it was a University question. The Corcoran Scientific School, remarked Mr. Hull, did not wish to be misunderstood in agitating this question. If the proposition is objected to by a majority of the departments of the University, the idea of pressing the matter is far from us. No selfish motives have actuated us. The Scientific School is exceeded in number by but one other department of the University. We want to have an opportunity at least once a year of exhibiting the strength of Columbian University—of showing to Washington, of showing to the other universities of the country, of showing to the United States what Columbian is and who she is. [Cheers.] Fellow-students, the inauguration of President Whitman last November was the biggest surprise that Washington people ever experienced. That night marked an epoch in the life of Columbian University—the opening of a new career, and it rests with the students of this University, and with the faculty, whether that great success shall be followed up—shall be repeated. [Loud applause.]

The resolution was then read and unanimously adopted. A committee, consisting of President Biehl, Miss Harriet L. Cameron,

and Mr. Hull, was appointed to present the resolution to the faculty.

The officers of the Columbian Corcoran Society, under whose auspices this successful meeting was held, are entitled to no little credit for the work that they have accomplished in the Scientific School. The present year is the first year in the history of the Scientific Department that any attempt has been made to secure concerted action on the part of the students. From this point of view the efforts of the Society have been eminently successful. A brief sketch, therefore, of these students who have identified themselves so strongly with the Scientific School will not be out of place here.

President Wm. F. Biehl, was born at Columbus, Ohio, and received his early education in the public schools of that city. In 1886 he was graduated from the Capital City Commercial College of Columbus, and later from Central College of Chicago. Receiving an offer for his services from a San Francisco firm he accepted the same, and for three years held the position of chief accountant. In the summer of 1890 he returned to his home and battled for a while with the trials and tribulations of a stenographer. Early in 1891 he was appointed to the Financial Division of the Interior Department, which position he still holds. The establishment of a course of finance and economics in the Corcoran Scientific School enabled him to pursue studies related to those of his early training and in accord with his tastes and talents, and he was the first student to enter this department of the University.

His genial countenance and pleasant manner have secured for him the friendship of every student in the Scientific School, and there is no more popular man in the University. He has been untiring in his efforts to make the Columbian Corcoran Society a success, and has made no little sacrifice to accomplish this.

The Vice-President of the Society, who belongs to that all-important element of society, sometimes described as "the fairer sex," by her winning manner, her pleasant voice, and her enthusiasm for the Scientific School, has secured for herself an enviable popularity.

Miss Harriet L. Cameron is a thorough Western girl, having been born in Minnesota and always living there until the last few years. She finished the grammar school and began a course at the State Normal at Winona, but near the close of her second year was obliged to leave and join the great army of bread winners.

After trying to drum knowledge into the heads of little people for three terms she concluded that teaching with a very limited education was not the pleasantest occupation in the world, and left the ranks of the pedagogue intending to return at some future time. She went to Chicago, where she



MISS HARRIET L. CAMERON.

was employed in an office, then came to Washington, where she holds a position in the Sixth Auditor's office of the Treasury Department. The Corcoran Scientific School offers the opportunity she has looked forward to for years, of higher education.

Mr. Fred F. Reisner, Secretary and Treasurer, needs no introduction. No student in the University has a larger number of friends among the professors and students than he. His work in the Scientific School has always been of the highest order, and marked by a thoughtfulness that is well indicative of his character.

He was born in Covington, Ohio, March 20, 1876. When he was six his parents moved to Butler, Mo., where the next nine years of his existence was spent. During that time he attended the



MR. FRED F. REISNER.

public schools of Butler, completing all but two years in the High School. At fifteen he returned to Covington, where he attended the High School for two years, being employed outside of school hours in a dry goods house. He came to Washington in 1893, and entered the Scientific School in October of that year. Since his coming to Washington he has been employed as a computer in the Nautical Almanac office.

In the interview had with Mr. Reisner by a representative of the CALL, he remarked in conclusion: "The only other interesting occurrences in my life were whooping-cough, measles, and a sore toe—all contracted in my youth."

## University News.

### College News.

Two interesting lectures occurred Thursday, to both of which the whole college was invited. The former was delivered by Dr. Farquhar in the chapel, and was a most interesting discussion on the rise of the Catholic Church and its final separation into two great divisions which exist today. Dr. Farquhar's discussion was philosophical and interesting, and delivered in the peculiar poetic vein which characterizes him.

The second lecture was delivered by Prof. Davis, of the Law School, on the Evolution of Law. Prof. Davis traced the evolution of the law from its origin in the Ishmaelitic lawlessness to its present state of approximate perfection.

It is rumored that certain gentlemen of the Freshman and Sophomore classes are preparing to give a dance just after Lent.

Our esteemed contemporary, *The Evening Star*, had a mistake of a rather amusing nature in regard to the Symposium Linguarum last Wednesday. The *Star* stated that Mr. Tyssowski was to give a "Polish polka." The spectacle of that gentleman giving a Polish or any other kind of polka before an ordinary audience Friday night would be, to say the least, interesting.

The picture of a hand, taken by the Senior Physics class some days ago, is the most successful yet taken, in fact, it is one of the most successful ever taken, comparing favorably with those of Roentgen himself. Many people are availing themselves of the opportunity thus afforded to survey their internal machinery for bits of foreign matter. A child who had swallowed a silver quarter, a gentleman whose hand had been cut seriously by glass and several others have or intend to subject themselves to the searching eyes of the X rays.

### Academy.

The department editor said he was sick. He said that it made him quite faint; When asked what he meant by "it," he replied, It was merely the Spring complaint; Yet it was by no means the one we know, It rather was new to them all, Except to a few—and his complaint was true— "Where is your subscrip. to THE CALL?"

The C. A. Chess Club met every day or last week and quite a number of games were played off. Undoubtedly within a week or so all the primary games will be finished, and,



after the four best players have been determined, we will probably challenge those dear little chicks on 15th street. J. Gana was received as a new member, and, as he plays quite a strong game, may be one of those chosen, very likely. We should also like to predict a contest between Messrs. Holmead, Lindsey and Ritchie to uphold our honor. We observe with interest that two High Schools have formed chess clubs and challenges either way are not impossible.

Mr. Henning announces that he has on hand a small supply of "blue-books," which can be obtained from him. Mr. Wilbur, it is believed, has also sent out an order for some more, as they are very convenient.

The gentleman in charge of the Academy Library were recently pleased to place at the disposal of the school some reference books which it is hoped will be appreciated.

Mr. Pyne was suffering the last two days of the week from a very severe cold. He had no voice whatever, and yet, thanks to his energy, he managed to conduct quite successfully his various classes.

There is a movement among the younger students to copy the older ones in the formation of a Junior Chess Club. Raymond, Outwater, Otto Veerhoff and Walter Woodward are among those who play this fascinating game.

The new catalogues were received last week, and, without doubt, they are neat, business-like, attractive and a great improvement upon the old ones. Perusing their pages we note the next year increase in charges, the acquirement of a laboratory with an extra instructor, the advanced schedule, the entrance and prize-scholarship examinations and other things, all of which go to show the great advancement of the school under the new management, after this its 75th year of existence.

#### Scientific Department.

Prof. Schoenfeld was a guest of Dr. M. D. Learned, professor of German in the University of Pennsylvania, at the opening in Philadelphia on Saturday last of "The Bechstein Germanic Library," of the University of Pennsylvania.

The formal opening of this highly valuable collection of books was an event of no little importance, to which were invited the leading professors of German in universities in this country.

The nucleus of the Bechstein col-

lection consists of the library of the late Prof. Reinhold Bechstein, of the University of Rostock. Prof. Bechstein's early associations with his father, Ludwig Bechstein, for many years the Librarian at Meiningen, gave him a peculiar schooling in the art of collecting books, and his library bears marks of this training.

The collection made by Prof. Bechstein has been supplemented by the purchase of other valuable works relating to German, and contains, in its present enlarged form, about 15,000 volumes, and 3,000 pamphlets, classified as follows:

1. Periodicals, Works of Reference, Collective Series.
2. General Works relating to German Philology and Literature.
3. Histories of German Literature in general.
4. German Antiquities, Culture and Folk-lore.
5. German Language, Dialects, Metrics and Names.
6. Gothic, Norse, Old High German and Middle High German Literature.
7. German Literature from 1500 to 1750.
8. Modern German Literature.

The collection is rich in standard and critical editions of German writers of all periods, in great works of reference, in large library series, such as the *Bibliothek des Literarischen Vereins in Stuttgart*, and in rare old prints, such as the Heussler Folio Edition of Hans Sachs, and contemporaneous prints of Luther's works, with the Reformer's autograph. The literature of the classical period of the eighteenth century is well represented, comprising the Weimar edition of Goethe, Suphan's Herder, and others.

Two special features of the collection make it peculiarly valuable as a working library, viz:

1. A full series of periodicals relating to Germanic studies, consisting of about fifty complete sets of reviews and publications of learned societies.
2. The unique *Handapparat* of Prof. Bechstein, containing about three thousand pamphlets treating of German philology and literature.

The result of the voting for the prize lathe offered by the Lodge & Davis Machine Tool Company (now The Davis & Egan Machine Tool Company) has been announced with the result as given in the appended table. The aggregate number of votes cast by all institutions was 931,568—almost a million. From this tabulation it will be seen that there were twenty-three contestants,

the leading engineering and mechanical training institutions in the United States, and that the Corcoran Scientific School has a rank of seventeenth on the list with a total of 17,197 ballots to its credit.

Taking into consideration the fact that the first graduating class from the Scientific School received their diplomas less than eight years ago, the showing in this contest with the leading oldest schools of the kind in the country, is far from bad. While comparisons are always odious, at least to one element of the comparison, no little satisfaction may be derived from that fact that the schools which we have outranked are institutions of no mean reputation. Take, for instance, the Worcester Polytechnic School, than which no college of mechanical engineering in the United States surpasses either in excellency of curriculum or in reputation. Taking everything into consideration, therefore, it may be said that the result of this competition is encouraging and creditable.

At no time did the committee which has had charge of this matter believe that Columbia would secure the largest number of ballots—they were thoroughly aware that the fight was a very unequal one against such old and wealthy and institutions as the Sibley College of Cornell, the Cincinnati Technical School, the Pratt Institute of Brooklyn, the State University of Illinois and the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. But this fact did not discourage or dishearten them in the least—they had one object in view—that Columbian should enter for the first time in a contest of this kind and secure thereby the large, wholesome and honest advertising that would inevitably result from the competition. From their point of view we have been successful:

#### STANDING OF THE SCHOOLS.

1. Sibley College of Cornell University.....95,818
2. Cleveland Jewish and Orphans' Asylum.....83,828
3. Cincinnati Technical School...68,060
4. Jewish M. T. School of Chicago.64,046
5. Pratt Institute of Brooklyn...63,804
6. State University of Illinois...62,537
7. University of Michigan.....47,347
8. State University of Minnesota.43,889
9. Purdue University of LaFayette, Ind.....39,640
10. Mechanics' Art High School...36,776
11. Parson's Horological Institute.33,164
12. Ohio State University.....30,908
13. Fifth Ward Manual Training School.....30,587
14. International Y. M. C. A. M. T. School.....22,405
15. Alabama Polytechnic School..21,407
16. Chicago Manual Training School.....19,937

17. Corcoran Scientific School.....17,197
18. Case School of Applied Science.15,161
19. Spring Garden Institute.....12,937
20. Worcester Polytechnic School.12,697
21. University of Nebraska.....9,200
22. Springfield Industrial Institute. 5,055
23. Hampton Normal School.....4,198

#### Medical Notes.

There were weeks beyond days and months beyond weeks,  
And a feeling of absolute glee;  
But the months have all flown, and weeks,  
are but two,  
While the feeling is awful to see.

Dr. Carr briefly described the developing, effects, and use of the Roentgen rays during the first part of his hour on Monday, the 23d inst.

The last lectures of the session will be given on Wednesday, the 15th of April. The examinations will commence the following night for first-year men. The second-year men will receive their written examinations on Friday and Saturday. The oral examination to begin on Monday. The commencement exercises are to be held on May 7, at LaFayette Square Theatre.

"How can you tell when a person is fully under the influence of chloroform?" asked Dr. Morgan at his quiz the other night. During the all-pervading stillness which followed the inquiry, Mr. Prentiss, with a suddenness and unexpectedness which jostled, aroused and thoroughly awakened the latent humor in many a medical heart, replied: "Stick 'im with a knife."

Perhaps, some day, the medical department may have a library.

Dr. Luckett, '95, is practicing medicine in this city with his father.

There was a rare and radiant example of the total depravity of apparently innocent mechanisms at a recent quiz of Dr. Carr's. It was the clock. That article quietly ticked itself around to twenty-five minutes

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### COUNTING THE CHICKENS.

NEVER in Columbian's history has spring dawned with such a good prospect for a winning showing in the various college contests. In athletics there is a wonderful waking up all along the line. Men are playing ball as though they had a pennant already in sight. In the gymnasium of the Columbian Athletic Club the men of muscle are hardening their sinews and getting themselves in form to meet the favorites from other schools. On Monday night the young Republican Club will send a man to Chicago to the annual meet of the Republican League of American Colleges, and it looks as though the Law School's representative would be made the president of the organization, an honor in which Columbian should take plenty of

pride, because many colleges will be striving for it.

Negotiations are still pending looking to the admission of Columbian into the Oratorical Association. Should the institution send a man to the meeting at Danville, Ky., and stand with the first few in that contest it would mean much for her literary and oratorical reputation.

Thus the skies bend above us, and if the fates are kind when the month of roses comes we should have many a tale of success on hard-fought fields to tell. But it's a case of a long, long pull and a strong, strong pull with every face turned toward the banner, and not a disgruntled man in the ranks. Success is won by united effort, and petty jealousies and factional strife should give way for the good of the common cause. If a man has the ability to serve the orange and the blue no one should be small enough to fight his advancement on purely personal grounds.

As versatile Chauncey Depew said at a great national convention some years since, "The good of the cause is always paramount to the ambition of the man." Some one said to a famous military leader: "I wonder that you advance A the way you do." The soldier drew hard at his cigar for a moment, and then replied: "I hate him like I do the very devil, but I would as soon think of spiking my cannon as to enter an engagement without having done everything I could for him as the greatest leader of cavalry forces I ever knew."

The hour is with us when Columbian can strike a blow that will sound throughout the university world. A series of good fights this spring, even if they are not victories, will add wonderfully to her prestige, and make it possible for her to take the place in the educational world that her equipment and large student roll entitle her to hold.

In military operations there is an order that always brings joy to the heart of waiting troops. It is that sharp, ringing command, "Attention! Shoulder arms! Right forward, fours right—march!"

It has sounded for Columbian.

### TO DIXIE LAND.

In Dixie Land, Oh land of cotton,  
With all my childish cares forgotten,  
I thought of countries yet unknown,  
That fairies in my dreams had shown,  
Thou wast then in my mind dethroned,  
Oh Dixie!

I knew not then thy noble worth.  
Nor held I dear the humble hearth,  
Where home and happiness were mine.  
And beaming faces welcome shine,  
To strangers who their way might find  
To Dixie.

But time has changed, Oh Dixie Land,  
Has weakened much the youthful hand.  
That from thy borders pushed away  
And sailed for ports where fortune lay,  
In all her dazzling, rich display,  
Oh Dixie.

Oh Dixie Land, I love thee best,  
Now that I find thee from the rest  
Of earth so different to be,  
That from thy heart thou welcomest me  
To come and make my home with thee,  
Oh Dixie.

'Tis strange how fate my face has turned,  
Has led me backward where I've yearned  
To lay my weary, restless head,  
And with thy blessings to be fed,  
Oh, many a prodigal tear I've shed,  
My Dixie.

V. J. C.

### Law School Debating Society.

The Society met in the Lecture Hall at the usual hour; president Sparks in the chair.

The question for debate was "Resolved, That the Christian Nations should interfere to protect the Armenians." The speakers were Dalton, Coxton and Philp for the affirmative; C. B. Calvert, Whitaker and Cousar, opposing. The speeches were interesting and instructive, bringing out many points of international law and on the policies of nations. The discussion naturally opened up the religious side of the question and while the drift of sentiment was with the affirmative, the position assumed by that side was combated by two of the ablest speakers of the society, who presented arguments which appealed most strongly to the reason of all who live in the light of modern investigation and research. On vote of the society the affirmative received 14 and the negative 8 votes. The judges, McLean, Martin and Hayes, found for the affirmative.

Messrs Linkins, Coleman, Keiper, Riddleberger, Johnson and Underwood spoke from the floor in general debate.

On April 18th the question, "Resolved, That the Constitution should be so amended as to permit Congress to pass uniform marriage and divorce laws" will be discussed.

### Roentgen Rays and Trilby Feet in the Scientific School.

If you didn't see it you missed it and if you missed it you have lost the opportunity of your life. An exhibition, assisted by a model, of the latest fruits of literature, art and science; for in one small room of Columbian University was exhibited an incarnated Trilby, a living Trilby foot, which will soon be on exhibition for the benefit of all students of the University, and the Roentgen rays did it.

There is a young lady in the scientific school whose foot in the nude would make Du Maurier's Trilby turn green from envy—at least it has been pretty generally whispered among the students of the Corcoran Scientific School that this certain young lady in question possessed such a beautiful member, but for some reason which would be out of place to attempt to analyze here, there was not a male student in the Scientific School who was willing to believe the foot in the question was as pretty as rumored without actually inspecting the foot.

Well, it is not necessary to mention any names but for convenience the happy possessor of this beautiful member will be designated as "Miss Trilby" and the young man who wagered five pounds of Huyler's best that Miss Trilby would not exhibit her foot to Roentgen's rays for 30 minutes, as "Roentgen-Svengalli."

The wager was accepted; the Crookes tube held in readiness, and Miss Trilby in company with a number of her lady friends, students, appeared in the Physical Laboratory. Roentgen-Svengalli has already spoken to a few of his friends about the matter, but advised them not to appear until the model began to sit and the X-rays were in operation. One of the conditions of the wager was that R-Svengalli was to be the only male present, and was not to appear in the laboratory until he was informed that the foot was in readiness.

Svengalli waited in an adjoining room with nervous excitement. Five pounds of Huyler's meant \$4, but he was determined to see that foot and go broke.

Finally a pretty head cautiously peered out of the physical laboratory door, and called with a voice slightly tremelo, "All right, Mr. Roentgen-Svengalli," and then nervously shut the door, saying: "Oh, girls, if any of the professors should come, what will they say!" The silence of the other young ladies present and Trilby's paleness showed that some one was



frightened. Svengalli entered so silently that they were not aware of his presence until Trilby uttered a faint scream, and pointed toward the door. Roentgen-Svengalli stood there with his hands raised like Du Maurier's villain. He said nothing, but looking steadily at Trilby, now deathly pale, he made two or three passes with his long bony fingers before her pretty face.

"Meine Trilby," he said, with a hoarse whisper that sent a shudder down the back of every young lady present, "dein Roentgen-Svengalli ist hier; du muszt nicht dich regen!" (That is, "do not stir.") Trilby was as still and pale as death. Svengalli did not take his eyes from her—that is, from her foot.

"Turn der veel," said R-Svengalli to one of the frightened young ladies present, as he adjusted the Crooks tube. The wheel suddenly started, and the X-rays fell on the lovely white foot and from there to the floor. Svengalli was enraged. "Peeck dos rays oop," he thundered to the frightened girl at the wheel. The rays were picked up and placed back in the tube. "Nun," said Svengalli, "let her go again."

For fifteen long minutes the poor girl turned the wheel, and Trilby sat motionless staring at Svengalli. Finally Trilby said: "I'm so tired, Svengalli," and the white foot moved. Svengalli passed his hand before her face and glided to the door.

"All r-r-right, boys," and with a rush fifty students pushed through the door.

Trilby sood up and started to leap to the floor from the table on which she had been sitting.

"Verflucht!" shrieked Svengalli, and fell to the floor in a fit. But the spell was broken. Trilby was in tears—sobbing bitterly, and her frightened and indignant friends covered the foot with a handkerchief.

"I think you boys are just as mean as you can be. Go right out of here, or I will tell—," and then she remembered. The boys, hilarious but disappointed, filed slowly out of the laboratory, carrying Roentgen-Svengalli's limp form, and, as they turned the corner of the hall leading to those unknown regions inhabited by the Assayists, a voice cried defiantly from the laboratory:

"We've won the bet. anyhow." But they hadn't. A picture of the bony skeleton of a little foot is now on exhibition in the laboratory. But the photograph is not very perfect. Strange to say right on the instep is the print of a thumb!

## DEAD EASY!

### Was the Game with the Silent Men.

#### 15 TO 6 IN COLUMBIAN'S FAVOR IS NOT AN UNPLEASANT SCORE TO CONTEMPLATE.

We Enter Pennsy's Relay Race—Crackerjacks from Columbian and Georgetown, on the Tennis Court—La Fayette vs. Lehigh Have a Hearing Next Week.

AFTER four disappointments and delays, caused by the snow and rain, Columbian and Gallaudet College teams were at last able to get on last Saturday, March 21, for a practice game. The weather had cleared up beautifully, and the grounds were in fair condition. The team reached the park about 3 o'clock and time was called immediately.

From beginning to end, it was evident that the boys from Kendall Green were not in the same class with our players and had it not been for several ugly errors, made at critical points, the score would have been much larger. From the work, put up by the 'Varsity boys, it is easy to perceive that Columbian will have a team that will do her proud. The game showed most conclusively that we have a very strong infield and a good, speedy man in the box. While Greene and Dalzell played a very good game of ball they were hardly up to their average and each had two errors scored up against him. The work done by Beall at short and Mills at second was of the highest order, and their batting successes were striking features of the game. In Cummings the 'Varsity has one of the best pitchers she has ever had. He kept his head and while not showing the speed expected, pitched a very good game. Behind the bat, is the team's weakest point.

Fugitt is a conscientious, hard player, but he lacks many of the salient points needed in a successful catcher. He had very little chance to show what he could do at the bat, where he is strongest.

The outfield is fair, but not quite as strong as was expected. The men had hardly an opportunity to show what they could do. Goodfellow at left was not in form. Jack is a first class ball player if he only warms up to his duty and becomes interested.

Saturday he did not seem to care enough how things turned out.

Beard and Shrew's stick work was good, but they not had an opportunity to show what they could do in fielding.

The Columbian score in detail was as follows.

NAME	AB	R	BH	E	PO
Cummings, p.....4	1	2	0	0	
Fugett, Don, c....1	2	0	2	5	
Greene, 1b.....4	2	2	2	16	
Mills, 2b.....3	1	2	0	2	
Dalzell, 3b. ....4	2	1	2	0	
Beall, ss.....4	2	3	0	2	
Goodfellow, lf....3	1	0	0	1	
Shaw, cf.....4	3	2	0	1	
Beard, rf.....3	1	1	0	0	

Total.....30	15	13	6	27
Struck out by Cummings, 6.				
Struck out by Gallaudet, 3.				
Base on balls by Cummings, 4.				
Base on balls by Gallaudet, 5.				
Sacrifice hits Mills.				
Two base hits, Beall, Shaw, Beard; (2.)				
Score by innings.				
Columbian, 3 0 3 0 1 2 6 0 x	15			
Gallaudet, 2 0 2 1 1 0 0 0 0	6			

#### RELAY TEAM TO GO TO PHILADELPHIA.

Manager Ward of the Track Athletic Association, has accepted the University of Pennsylvania's invitation to compete in their relay race, in Philadelphia, on April 25, 1896. This will be the track team's first appearance before the public.

Capt. Cabrera is keeping the names of his men from the press, his idea, being to enter all his runners as dark horses. The Athletic Association has definitely decided to hold sports with Georgetown, on March 9, on the Georgetown grounds.

The Association has now eighteen men working in the C. A. C. gymnasium, which is now open to Columbian students. Application for entrance, should be made to either Mr. Ward or Cabrera.

#### LA FAYETTE HERE THURSDAY.

The game with La Fayette College, at Capitol Park, on Thursday, April 3, promises to be a battle royal. La Fayette has the reputation of being a splendid team. They will present their crack pitcher, Nevius, for this game. It is necessary that every one should turn out to see this great game. The management having given La Fayette a very large guarantee, is under very large expenses and will need all the cash it can get.

#### COLUMBIAN WINS!

In the Friday afternoon baseball game between the Yale and 'Varsity nines, Columbian won easily. The score being 9 to 7. Full particulars next week.

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Three grades of bicycles are made at the factory—the "Suburban" the "Postal" and the "Druid." The first is for light road use, the second for heavy use and the third is an extra strong wheel for ordinary road use. It is estimated that the output of the shops this year will be 500 machines. About 1000 are now in the process of construction.

The directors of the company are Messrs. S. Davies Warfield, John K. Cowen, Calvin S. Shriver, Henry B. Keyser and Edward W. Phillips. The president is Mr. S. Davies Warfield. Mr. Phillips is the secretary and Mr. Keyser the treasurer. Among other stockholders of the company are Messrs. H. A. Parr, Nelson Perin, Ex-Gov. Frank Brown, Jacob Epstein and I. E. Weinberg.

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#### Republican Club Organized.

At the called meeting of Columbian Republicans Tuesday night, an organization was effected, and some thirty members signed the constitution of the Columbian University Republican Club.

There was plenty of enthusiasm, and another meeting will be held Monday night at 8:15 in the main hall to elect officers and a delegate to the Chicago meeting in April, of the Republican League of American Colleges. Let the University Republicans turn out.

## PROF. LEE DAVIS LODGE, PH.D.

### AN ENTERTAINING DESCRIPTION OF HIS WORK.

#### Appointed Professor of International Law in the Law School.

With the appointment of Prof. Lodge to the chair of French in the College in 1887 began a new era in the work of that department. The instruction was brought into line with that of the leading institutions of the country. Prof. Lodge has the faculty of inspiring intense enthusiasm in the students. French became one of the most popular subjects in the curriculum. His private studies in French, philosophy and politics were all the while being diligently prosecuted. In 1891 he published his study in Corneille, which secured for him prompt recognition, both in this country and in France. It has, for instance, been highly commended by such authorities as Jules Simons, Jules Lemaitre and the *Revue Bleue*.

Prof. Lodge has been for a number of years the Professor of Philosophy in the Scientific School.

He received his training in Philosophy and Politics from the revered and lamented Prof. Welling, of whom he always speaks with the deepest affection, and to whom he acknowledges the profoundest indebtedness. He was privileged to enter close within the circle of Dr. Welling's culture, thought and influence.

On the latter's death he was elected by the Trustees to the chair of Political Philosophy in the College and Graduate School. With what success his labors in this chair have been attended his enthusiastic students can best testify.

For the last four years Dr. Lodge has spent the summer months in Europe pursuing the special studies in his departments.

The last of next June he expects to sail for Europe for the purpose of conferring with the most eminent authorities on International Law in England and France.

The day before his appointment to the professorship of International Law in the Law School he was asked by a leading Northern publishing house to prepare for them a text-book on International

Law. This he will commence at once.

He has, with marked success, taught International Law for the last two years in other departments of the University.

In conversation with some of the Trustees it was stated more than once that were Dr. Welling alive he would take pleasure in thus placing his mantle on the shoulders of his distinguished pupil.

Prof. Lodge has been selected to edit the lectures of Dr. Welling on International Law. The material for these lectures will, in a large measure, be taken from the notes made by Dr. Lodge at the time of their delivery.

#### Allen's Opera House.

Gen. Felix Agnus' magnificent production "Woman of War," will hold the boards of the Grand Opera House next week. The play is emphatically one of heart interest, depicting the stirring incident in and around Port Hudson, during the eventful times of '63-'65. Love and patriotism play important parts although savoring of war and all its terrors, yet it teaches not sectional strife but faithfully tries to give to the daughters of the South that just recognition due them for their loyalty to the cause that they espoused, picturing her not as a fire-eating, pistol-firing virago, but as a true, tender hearted woman would, if necessary, sacrifice here very self for the principles she believes were right. There is considerable comedy element in the play, which, with the honest pathos in its lines, gives additional interest to its historic story. The production will be presented by a large and competent company headed by Miss Virginia Stuart, an actress gifted with considerable dramatic ability and who is not unknown here.

#### New National Theatre.

The spirit of the times seems to indicate that the novelist and the dramatist are coming closer to each other. Dumas established this years ago, but it seemed to have been forgotten, when "Trilby," "The Manxman," and last of all "The Prison of Zenda" have brought it prominently forward again. It is Anthony Hope's clever story which Mr. E. H. Southern gives Monday, March 30, at the New National Theatre, which has been called the cleverest of all.

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after eight (five minutes within closing time), and then stopped its play, rested its hands, smiled and went to sleep. It was not long, however, before the situation dawned on the assembly, and feet stamped, watches snapped and a murmur arose. Finally, when Dr. Carr asked that not so much commotion be made, a chorus broke forth with the announcement that the clock had stopped. The doctor pulled out a trusty time-piece, looked at it and departed.

The seniors appear to think more of utter strangers than they do of those who belong to the class organization. At least that is one interpretation of the stand they take on the reserved seat question.

There was a seedy looking individual who perambulated around between the lectures on Saturday night, the 21st inst., endeavoring to sell instruments calculated to keep suits in shape. A time so near examination as this casts a damper on such attempts, for medical students at present are not apt to care for looks or anything else. If the individual should happen in on the night when the results of the examinations are given out he might be enriched.

The announcement by Dr. Carr that he would probably quiz on the nervous system before the close of the term was greeted with applause by the second year students, who will appreciate a review on this subject.

It is to be hoped that some of the athletically inclined gentlemen of this department will be able to show their prowess on the University team. At any rate, it will do no harm to try a hand at the various sports. The exercise may be of benefit. Those who are interested in the matter will find Mr. Ward (junior medical student), manager of the team, very glad to give information in regard to it. Anyone who can run or walk well, put the shot, throw the hammer, etc., had better come to the front to help place the athletic reputation of the University on as sound a footing as its educational features have obtained. Mr. McKelden, for one, is getting himself in good athletic trim, and more of the medical men should follow his example.

#### Dental Dots.

Dr. Thompson, the professor on operative dentistry, quizzed the several classes on last Thursday evening on the subjects of inflammation, congestion and abscesses

resulting from diseased nerve pulps. Dr. Thompson announced that he would give a final quiz after a few lectures beginning with the subject of alveolar abscesses.

Dr. Lewis is lecturing upon the subject "Orthodontia" or the process of regulating or straightening the teeth. This is his final topic before the close of the term. The regular examinations will begin on Wednesday, April 15. Brush up, Dentals!

Owing to the rigid requirements imposed upon the students it will be hard for students working in the departments to fully comply with the Infirmary requirements. More than half of the graduating class of the present year is composed of gentlemen laboring for the Government, and it is hoped that the Faculty will exercise due leniency in their cases, having, of course, a just regard for the interests of the suffering public.

It is respectfully suggested that in view of the very rigid requirements now being enforced that the Faculty provide the Demonstrator of the Infirmary with a book to be kept as a register of the attendance of each student. It not infrequently happens that owing to the increased number of students and the falling off of patronage, that gentlemen arriving after 4 o'clock have nothing to do, but it is only just to those who are so unfortunate that a faithful record of their attendance be kept for the inspection of the Faculty.

#### Law Notes.

Martin A. Ryan, of '92 has just resigned a good position in the Navy Department, to enter the ranks in the profession. He goes to New York City where he will practice in partnership with a class mate, Frederick C. Lawyer, at No. 203 Broadway, and where they will endeavor to relieve unsuspecting clients of their cash with neatness and dispatch.

A meeting of the Junior Class of the Law School will be held Friday evening, April 3. Arrangements for the class banquet to be held at the Riggs House on April 17, will be completed at this meeting. All members are requested to be present.

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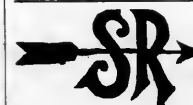
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## Theatre Talk.

### New National Theatre.

Apparently beyond all question the greatest success of the present theatrical season, in New York city, has been that of Mr. E. H. Sothorn, at the Lyceum Theatre, in the dramatization of Anthony Hope's novel, "The Prisoner of Zenda," which he offers at the New National Theatre, beginning Monday night. Mr. Sothorn's assumption of the leading roles proves that his desire for more serious work than in the past was a correct one, and that "The Prisoner of Zenda" entitles him to be classed today as the leading romantic actor of America. The play consists of a prologue and four acts. The prologue is an addition to the material secured from the novel. Each of these is a scene, and these five elaborate sets are placed upon the stage in a manner thoroughly in keeping with Mr. Sothorn's reputation for excellent work in that direction. The entire Lyceum Theatre production is to be presented here.

### Academy of Music.

Mr. A. M. Palmer will produce at the Academy of Music next Monday evening for the first time on the American stage, a new farcical comedy, in three acts, entitled "His Absent Boy." This production is made by special arrangement with Mr. Nat C. Goodwin who possesses the American rights to the play. This piece has already enjoyed a run of seven months at the Residenz Theatre in Berlin. It is by two German authors named Yarno and Fischer. From Washington the play with the original cast goes into the Garden Theatre of New York for a long run. In the cast will be seen Mr. Frederick Bond, Mr. Max Figman, Mr. Frank Tannehill, jr., Mr. Charles Harbury, Miss Isabelle Coe, Miss Katherine Gray, Miss Harriet Sterling, Louisa Eldridge and Miss Willard. The play has been rehearsed under the direction of Mr. Max Freeman. Mr. Palmer is of the opinion that this is one of the best comedies ever produced in this country and he has given the play a cast numbering as it does many of the foremost actors in this country, in the line of comedy work.

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